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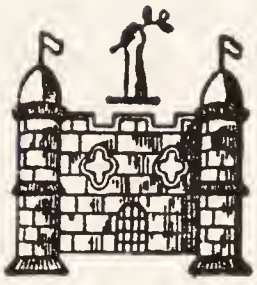
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URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## KNARESBOROUGH URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL
as at 31.12.66

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Vice-Chairman:
Councillor A. J. Dyer

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Councillor J. T. Robson

## PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICERS OF THE COUNCIL

Medical Officer of Health:
N. V. Hepple, M.D., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H.

Deputy Medical Officer of Health:
Isobel B. Alexander, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H.

Public Health Inspector:
J. D. Andrews, M.A.P.H.I.

Pupil Public Health Inspector
H. Cooper

Clerk/Typist:
Miss M. T. Crawford

Telephone Number:
Knaresborough 2264

Knaresborough House,
Knaresborough.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Knaresborough Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour to present for your consideration the Annual Report for the year 1966.

As usual the Report deals with the work of your Health Department and the health of your district during the year. It also contains a section on the health services of the County Council health division and therefore provides a comprehensive handbook of all local authority health services for the area.

Mr. Andrews took up his duties as your Public Health Inspector during the year in somewhat difficult circumstances, and I am greatly indebted to him for a great deal of help and advice. He has written the section of the report dealing with environmental hygiene.

Infectious disease has given us little trouble during the year, and the continued progress in clearing up and redeveloping the worn out property in the town will ensure that Knaresborough continues to be a healthy place in which to live.

I am greatly indebted to the Chairman and members of the Council, to the Clerk and my fellow officers, and to the staff for a great deal of kindness and help.

I have the honour to be,

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your obedient servant,

N. V. HEPPLE,

Medical Officer of Health.

## STATISTICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Registrar General's estimate of population (mid 1966) .. | 10,250 |
| Area (in acres) .. .. .. .. .. .. | 2,488 |
| Number of inhabited houses, March 31st, 1966.. .. | 3,501 |
| Rateable value, March 31st, 1966.. .. .. .. | £286,721 |
| Sum represented by a penny rate, March 31st, 1966 .. | £1,161 |

## SOCIAL CONDITIONS OF THE AREA

Knaresborough is an inland holiday resort on the banks of the Nidd. It is a centre for the Yorkshire Dales and its Castle and boating facilities have a special attraction for the day visitor. It has one of the largest weekly open-air agricultural produce and general markets in the North of England.

During the summer, catering is one of the principle trades in the town. There are also a number of small industries including the manufacture of plastic goods, raincoats, shirts, and sports clothes, two linen and cotton weaving mills, a saw mill, and a boat building and repair factory.

## EXTRACTS FROM VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR 1966

| **Live Births** | *Total* | *Male* | *Female* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate .. .. .. | 172 | 89 | 83 |
| Illegitimate .. .. .. | 10 | 1 | 9 |
| Total .. | 182 | 90 | 92 |
| Crude birth rate per 1,000 population .. .. | | | 17.8 |
| Adjusted birth rate .. .. .. .. .. | | | 19.2 |
| **Comparability Factor** .. .. .. .. .. | | | 1.08 |

| **Still Births** | *Total* | *Male* | *Female* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate .. .. .. | 1 | 1 | — |
| Illegitimate .. .. .. | 1 | — | 1 |
| Still birth rate per 1,000 total (live and still) births | | | 10.9 |

| | *Total* | *Male* | *Female* |
|---|---|---|---|
| **Deaths** .. .. .. .. | 197 | 88 | 109 |
| Crude death rate per 1,000 population .. .. | | | 19.2 |
| Adjusted death rate .. .. .. .. .. | | | 10.0 |
| **Comparability Factor** .. .. .. .. .. | | | 0.52 |

| **Maternal Mortality** | *Rates per* 1,000 | |
|---|---|---|
| | *Deaths* | *Total births* |
| Puerperal Sepsis .. .. .. | 0 | 0.00 |
| Other Maternal Causes .. .. | 0 | 0.00 |

| Infant Mortality | *Total* | *Male* | *Female* |
|---|---|---|---|
| Legitimate .. .. .. | 4 | 3 | 1 |
| Illegitimate .. .. .. .. | 1 | — | 1 |

| Death rate of infants under 1 year of age: | |
|---|---|
| All Infants per 1,000 live births .. .. .. | 27.5 |
| Legitimate infants per 1,000 legitimate births .. | 23.3 |
| Illegitimate infants per 1,000 illegitimate births .. | 100.0 |

## NOTES ON VITAL STATISTICS

### Births

The birth rate of 19.2 was lower than in 1965 but was higher than the national rate of 17.7.

### Deaths

The death rate of 10.0 showed a slight decrease from that for the previous year. The rate for England and Wales was 11.7.

The principal causes of death were as follows:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Heart and circulatory diseases (excepting coronary diseases and angina) .. .. .. .. | 26 |
| Vascular lesions of nervous system .. .. | 44 |
| Coronary disease, angina .. .. .. .. | 41 |
| Cancer and other new growth .. .. .. | 28 |
| Pneumonia, Bronchitis, and other respiratory diseases .. .. .. .. .. .. | 29 |

Together these groups accounted for more than four-fifths of the deaths from all causes.

### Natural Decrease of Population

The number of deaths exceeded the number of births by 15.

### Infantile Mortality

Five children under the age of one year died during 1966, a rate of 27.5 per 1,000 live births. This compares with a rate of 14.4 for the previous year and 19.0 for England and Wales. Two of these deaths were due to ante-partum haemorrhage and prematurity, one to congenital defect, one to lack of attention at birth and one to birth injury.

### Maternal Mortality

No mother has died in Knaresborough as a result of childbirth for many years.

## Causes of Death
## Registrar-General's Return
## Table II

| | Causes of Death | 1966 | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Male | Female | Total |
| 1 | Tuberculosis, respiratory | — | 1 | 1 |
| 2 | Tuberculosis, other | — | — | — |
| 3 | Syphilitic disease | — | — | — |
| 4 | Diphtheria | — | — | — |
| 5 | Whooping Cough | — | — | — |
| 6 | Meningococcal infection | — | — | — |
| 7 | Acute poliomyelitis | — | — | — |
| 8 | Measles | — | — | — |
| 9 | Other infective and parasitic diseases | — | — | — |
| 10 | Malignant neoplasm, stomach | 3 | — | 3 |
| 11 | Malignant neoplasm, lung, bronchus | 5 | 1 | 6 |
| 12 | Malignant neoplasm, breast | — | 2 | 2 |
| 13 | Malignant neoplasm, uterus | — | 1 | 1 |
| 14 | Other malignant and lymphatic neoplasms | 7 | 8 | 15 |
| 15 | Leukaemia, aleukaemia | — | 1 | 1 |
| 16 | Diabetes | — | 1 | 1 |
| 17 | Vascular lesions of nervous system | 14 | 30 | 44 |
| 18 | Coronary disease, angina | 23 | 18 | 41 |
| 19 | Hypertension with heart disease | — | 4 | 4 |
| 20 | Other heart diseases | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| 21 | Other circulatory diseases | 4 | 8 | 12 |
| 22 | Influenza | 2 | 1 | 3 |
| 23 | Pneumonia | 3 | 8 | 11 |
| 24 | Bronchitis | 10 | 4 | 14 |
| 25 | Other diseases of respiratory system | — | 1 | 1 |
| 26 | Ulcer of stomach and duodenum | — | — | — |
| 27 | Gastritis, enteritis and diarrhoea | — | — | — |
| 28 | Nephritis and nephrosis | — | — | — |
| 29 | Hyperplasia of prostate | — | — | — |
| 30 | Pregnancy, childbirth, abortion | — | — | — |
| 31 | Congenital malformations | — | 1 | 1 |
| 32 | Other defined and ill-defined diseases | 11 | 11 | 22 |
| 33 | Motor vehicle accidents | — | 1 | 1 |
| 34 | All other accidents | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| 35 | Suicide | 1 | — | 1 |
| 36 | Homicide and operations of war | — | — | — |
| | Total | 88 | 109 | 197 |

## GENERAL PROVISIONS OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR THE AREA

1. **Public Health Officers of the Authority**

The names and qualifications are set out on page 3.

2. **Health Services**

**(a) Laboratory Facilities.**

The chemical analysis of the public water supply is carried out for the Claro Water Board by Messrs. T. Fairley & Partner, Leeds.

Specimens of milk and other food stuffs, including ice-cream, are taken for bacteriological examination to the Public Health Laboratory situated at Seacroft, Leeds. This laboratory also undertakes the bacteriological examination of the public water supply for the Claro Water Board.

Any special investigation into outbreaks of infection is undertaken at the Leeds Public Health Laboratory as well as the isolation and typing of viruses.

The routine bacteriological examination of clinical material, such as throat swabs, is undertaken at the laboratory of the Harrogate General Hospital.

## REMOVAL TO SUITABLE PREMISES OF PERSONS IN NEED OF CARE AND ATTENTION

The powers under the National Assistance Acts are used only in cases where people living in unhealthy conditions are not getting proper care and attention and refuse to go into hospital or other places where they can receive the care they need.

A magistrate can make an order requiring their removal when this is the only practicable solution to their difficulties.

No action was taken during 1966.

# HEALTH SERVICES PROVIDED BY THE COUNTY COUNCIL

## REPORT OF DIVISIONAL MEDICAL OFFICER FOR 1966 DIVISION No. 7

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## 1. GENERAL

The estimated populations of the areas are as follows:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Harrogate Borough .. .. | 60,090 |
| Ripon City .. .. .. | 11,110 |
| Knaresborough Urban District .. | 10,250 |
| Nidderdale Rural District .. .. | 16,990 |
| Ripon and Pateley Bridge Rural District .. .. .. .. | 13,670 |
| Total .. .. | 112,110 |

The Division in its western part consists of the upland country lying to the south west of the River Ure and containing the upper part of Nidderdale. The eastern part is flat country in the Plain of York bounded on the north east by the Rivers Ure and Ouse and containing the lower part of the River Nidd.

Harrogate stands in rolling country to the south and west of the Nidd. It has been known as a Spa for a long period and is now a busy conference and holiday centre which provides pleasant residential surroundings. It is becoming increasingly an administrative centre for large organisations.

The City of Ripon is an ancient market town in the valley of the Ure. It is the centre for a large rural area around, and manufactures paint and concrete products.

Knaresborough is an attractive holiday centre situated on the Nidd in that part of its course where it flows in a limestone gorge of considerable beauty. It is also a market town and shopping centre for a large and populous rural area and has a large weekly market.

Ripon and Pateley Bridge Rural District and Nidderdale Rural District are both large agricultural areas with numerous villages. The former contains the small town of Pateley Bridge in the valley of the Nidd which is the administrative centre of the district.

## 2. DIVISIONAL STAFF

**Medical Officers:**

N. V. Hepple, M.D., B.S., B.Hy., D.P.H., Divisional Medical Officer.

Isobel B. Alexander, M.B., Ch.B., D.P.H., Senior Assistant County Medical Officer.

Mary Polson, B.Sc., M.B., Ch.B., D.Obst., R.C.O.G., Senior Assistant County Medical Officer.

P. A. G. M. Ashmore, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Assistant County Medical Officer.

A. W. I. Hall, M.B., B.Chir., Assistant County Medical Officer.

*L. J. Prosser, M.B., Ch.B., D.C.H., Paediatrician.

*P. A. I. MacLeod, M.B., Ch.B., F.R.F.P.S., Orthopaedic Surgeon.

*Rosemary Hawe, M.B., Ch.B., B.A.O., D.O., Ophthalmologist.

*W. S. Suffern, M.D., M.R.C.P., Cardiologist.

*Elizabeth Gore, M.D., D.P.M., Psychiatrist, Child Guidance Clinic.

Anastasia Holroyd, M.A., M.B., B.S.
Katherine H. Odling-Smee, M.B., Ch.B.
Marjorie Parsons, M.B., Ch.B.
Isobel Critchley, M.B., Ch.B.
} Clinic doctors working on a sessional basis

**Speech Therapist** .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 1

**Child Guidance Staff (Part-time)**

| | |
|---|---|
| County Psychologist | 1 |
| Psychiatric Social Worker | 1 |
| Social Worker | 1 |
| Remedial Teacher | 1 |
| Clerical | 1 |

**Mental Health Service**

| | |
|---|---|
| Senior Mental Welfare Officer | 1 |
| Mental Welfare Officers | 3 |
| Harrogate Training Centre | 8 |
| Harrogate Hostel | 2 |

**Part-time from Regional Hospital Board.*

**Dental Officers**

Mr. K. Cowell, L.D.S.
Mr. M. Hattan, L.D.S.
Mr. G. A.Thompson, L.D.S. (Part-time, Orthodontic Consultant).
Mr. R. F. Grainger, L.D.S. (Part-time)
Mr. M. Hollings, L.D.S. (Part-time)
Mr. P. W. Thornton, L.D.S. (Part-time)

**Nursing Staff**

| | |
|---|---|
| Divisional Nursing Officer | 1 |
| Health Visitors who are also school nurses | 17 |
| Health Visitor (part-time) | 1 |
| Health Visitors employed on Hospital Liaison Duties | 1 |
| Tuberculosis Health Visitor | 1 |
| Assistant Health Visitors | 2 |
| Assistant Health Visitors (Part-time) | 4 |
| Home Nurses | 11 |
| Home Nurses (part-time) | 2 |
| Assistant Home Nurse | 1 |
| Home Nurse Midwives | 11 |
| Midwives | 4 |

**Administrative**

| | |
|---|---|
| Chief Clerks (1 Harrogate Area, 1 Ripon Area) | 2 |
| Clerical | 17 |

**Sale of Food Assistants**

| | |
|---|---|
| Part-time | 2 |

**Dental Assistants**

| | |
|---|---|
| Full-time | 5 |
| Part-time | 3 |

**Albany Avenue Day Nursery**

| | |
|---|---|
| Nursing Staff | 6 |
| Domestic Staff | 3 |

**Home Helps**

| | |
|---|---|
| Working whole-time | 6 |
| Working part-time | 191 |

**Domestic Staff, Etc.**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cleaners (part-time) | 10 |
| Gardener (part-time) | 1 |
| Cook, Harrogate Training Centre | 1 |
| Maids, Harrogate Training Centre | 2 |
| Escorts, Harrogate Training Centre | 3 |
| Caretaker, Harrogate Training Centre | 1 |

## 3. SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE

The number of routine school medical inspections was maintained in 1966. About the same proportion of defects was found as in 1965. Of these defects, there was an increase in those children requiring treatment for defective vision. Children requiring this form of treatment form about 42% of the total defects.

**Table A.**

| Age Groups born | No. of pupils who have received a full medical examination | Physical Condition of Pupils Inspected | | No. of Pupils found not to warrant a medical examination | Pupils found to require treatment (excluding dental diseases and infestation with vermin) | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Satisfactory | Unsatisfactory | | For defective vision (excluding squint) | For any other condition recorded at Part II | Total Individual pupils |
| (1) | (2) | (3) | (4) | (5) | (6) | (7) | (8) |
| 1962 and later | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 1961 | 676 | 676 | — | — | 64 | 216 | 191 |
| 1960 | 565 | 565 | — | — | 46 | 117 | 155 |
| 1959 | 332 | 332 | — | — | 25 | 48 | 69 |
| 1958 | 492 | 492 | — | — | 35 | 50 | 82 |
| 1957 | 379 | 379 | — | — | 34 | 50 | 81 |
| 1956 | 338 | 338 | — | — | 24 | 32 | 52 |
| 1955 | 53 | 53 | — | — | 4 | 10 | 14 |
| 1954 | 33 | 33 | — | — | 1 | 4 | 5 |
| 1953 | 68 | 68 | — | — | 13 | 5 | 16 |
| 1952 | 126 | 126 | — | — | 6 | 8 | 13 |
| 1951 and earlier | 902 | 902 | — | — | 140 | 80 | 198 |
| TOTAL | 3964 | 3964 | — | — | 392 | 578 | 876 |

## C. Other Inspections

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of Special inspections .. .. .. .. | 199 |
| Number of re-inspections .. .. .. .. .. | 677 |
| Total .. .. | 876 |

## D. Infestation with Vermin

| | |
|---|---|
| (*a*) Total number of individual examinations of pupils in schools by School Nurses or other authorised persons | 14,583 |
| (*b*) Total number of individual pupils found to be infested | 184 |
| (*c*) Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing notices were issued (Section 54(2), Education Act, 1944) .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| (*d*) Number of individual pupils in respect of whom cleansing orders were issued (Section 54(3), Education Act, 1944) .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |

There has been a decrease in the percentage of children found to have dirty heads—1.2% compared with 1.7% in 1965.

## E. Periodic and Special Inspections

| Defect Code No. | Defect or Disease | Entrants | | Leavers | | Others | | Total | | Special Inspections | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | (T) | (O) | (T) | (O) | (T) | (O) | (T) | (O) | (T) | (O) |
| 4. | Skin .. | 31 | 28 | 21 | 13 | 40 | 45 | 92 | 86 | 5 | 10 |
| 5. | Eyes | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (*a*) Vision .. | 64 | 74 | 140 | 119 | 188 | 139 | 392 | 332 | 76 | 50 |
| | (*b*) Squint .. | 20 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 17 | 22 | 44 | 28 | 5 | 5 |
| | (*c*) Other .. | 7 | 8 | 6 | 4 | 10 | 17 | 23 | 29 | — | 7 |
| 6. | Ears | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (*a*) Hearing .. | 11 | 83 | 2 | 13 | 25 | 43 | 38 | 139 | 8 | 16 |
| | (*b*) Otitis Media | 8 | 14 | 1 | 4 | 9 | 15 | 18 | 33 | 1 | — |
| | (*c*) Other .. | 1 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 10 | 8 | 16 | — | 2 |
| 7. | Nose and Throat .. | 26 | 53 | 11 | 15 | 26 | 95 | 63 | 163 | 2 | 5 |
| 8. | Speech .. | 14 | 28 | 2 | 4 | 4 | 16 | 20 | 48 | 14 | 7 |
| 9. | Lymphatic Glands | 1 | 23 | — | — | 2 | 25 | 3 | 48 | 3 | 11 |
| 10. | Heart .. | 7 | 19 | 1 | 10 | 6 | 35 | 14 | 64 | 1 | 6 |
| 11. | Lungs .. | 14 | 19 | 5 | 10 | 20 | 24 | 39 | 53 | 1 | 5 |
| 12. | Developmental: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (*a*) Hernia .. | 2 | 9 | 1 | 5 | 3 | 16 | 6 | 30 | — | — |
| | (*b*) Other .. | 16 | 17 | 4 | 8 | 17 | 39 | 37 | 64 | 7 | 12 |
| 13. | Orthopaedic | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (*a*) Posture .. | 1 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 2 | 6 | 4 | 17 | — | 1 |
| | (*b*) Feet .. | 30 | 44 | 4 | 16 | 46 | 86 | 80 | 146 | 16 | 18 |
| | (*c*) Other .. | 4 | 12 | 4 | 13 | 17 | 10 | 25 | 35 | 5 | 2 |
| 14. | Nervous System: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (*a*) Epilepsy .. | 1 | 6 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 7 | 3 | 17 | 2 | 3 |
| | (*b*) Other .. | 5 | 26 | 1 | 4 | 15 | 27 | 21 | 57 | 6 | 12 |
| 15. | Psychological: | | | | | | | | | | |
| | (*a*) Development | 2 | 9 | — | 5 | 6 | 22 | 8 | 36 | 15 | 10 |
| | (*b*) Stability .. | 3 | 27 | 1 | 7 | 6 | 43 | 10 | 77 | 6 | 10 |
| 16. | Abdomen .. | — | — | — | — | 4 | 5 | 4 | 5 | — | 1 |
| 17. | Other .. | 12 | 23 | 5 | 3 | 43 | 15 | 60 | 41 | 7 | 4 |

(T) Treatment. (O) Observation.

GROUP 1

**Eye Diseases, Defective Vision and Squint**

| | Number of Cases known to have been dealt with |
|---|---|
| External and other, excluding errors of refraction and squint .. .. .. .. .. .. | 13 |
| Errors of refraction (including squint) .. .. | 688 |
| Total | 701 |
| Number of Pupils for whom spectacles were prescribed .. .. .. .. .. .. | 412 |

GROUP 2

**Diseases and Defects of Ear, Nose and Throat**

| | Number of Cases known to have been dealt with |
|---|---|
| Received operative treatment— | |
| (*a*) for diseases of the ear .. .. .. | 10 |
| (*b*) for adenoids and chronic tonsillitis .. .. | 128 |
| (*c*) for other nose and throat conditions .. | 28 |
| Received other forms of treatment .. .. .. | 34 |
| Total | 200 |

Total number of pupils in schools who are known to have been provided with hearing aids:—

(*a*) in 1966 .. .. .. .. .. .. .. 2
(*b*) in previous years .. .. .. .. .. 10

GROUP 3

**Orthopaedic and Postural Defects**

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of pupils known to have been treated at clinics or out-patient departments .. .. | 6 |
| Pupils treated at school for postural defects .. | — |

GROUP 4

## Diseases of the Skin (Excluding uncleanliness)

| | Number of Cases treated or under treatment during the year by the Authority |
|---|---|
| Ringworm (i) Scalp .. .. .. .. | — |
| (ii) Body .. .. .. .. .. | — |
| Scabies .. .. .. .. .. .. | — |
| Impetigo .. .. .. .. .. .. | — |
| Other skin diseases .. .. .. .. .. | — |
| Total | — |

GROUP 5

## Child Guidance Treatment

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of pupils treated at Child Guidance Clinics under arrangements made by the Authority .. | 24 |

GROUP 6

## Speech Therapy

| | |
|---|---|
| Number of pupils treated by Speech Therapists under arrangements made by the Authority .. | 107 |

GROUP 7

## Other Treatment Given

| | Number of Cases treated or under treatment during the year by the Authority |
|---|---|
| (*a*) Number of cases of miscellaneous minor ailments treated by the Authority .. .. | 6 |
| (*b*) Pupils who received convalescent treatment under School Health Service arrangements .. | — |
| (*c*) Pupils who received B.C.G. Vaccination .. | 880 |
| (*d*) Ultra Violet Ray Treatment .. .. .. | — |
| (*e*) Cardiac Clinic .. .. .. .. .. | 6 |
| (*f*) Verminous heads.. .. .. .. .. | 723 |

## Handicapped Pupils

These are children who, by reason of physical or mental disability, need special educational treatment in ordinary or special schools.

240 children were on the register at the end of the year and the following table gives details:—

| | In ordinary school | In special school | Not attending school | Home tuition |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Blind .. .. .. | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| Partially sighted .. .. | 5 | 3 | — | — |
| Deaf .. .. .. | — | 9 | — | — |
| Partially deaf .. .. | 8 | 4 | — | — |
| Educationally sub-normal | 103 | 39 | 1 | — |
| Epileptic .. .. .. | — | — | — | — |
| Maladjusted .. .. | 16 | 13 | — | — |
| Physically handicapped .. | 15 | 9 | 2 | 1 |
| Delicate .. .. | 1 | — | — | — |
| Double defect .. .. | 7* | 1* | 1* | — |
| Total | 156 | 79 | 4 | 1 |

*6 E.S.N./Physically handicapped.
2 E.S.N./Maladjusted.
1 Maladjusted/Physically handicapped.

### Audiometry

During 1966 routine testing of 6/7 year olds was continued. Health Visitors who had received special training in the use of the pure-tone audiometer visited schools in the Division.

Of 992 school children tested in this group, 61 were referred for further investigation. Health Visitors are also trained in the methods of testing the hearing of the pre-school child, particularly those with a history indicating a special risk.

## 4. SPEECH THERAPY

The Speech Therapist attends at Dragon Parade and Ripon Clinics. 65 new cases were treated during the year, and the treatment of 42 others was continued.

17 visits were paid to schools and 26 domiciliary visits were made.

**Cases treated**

| | |
|---|---|
| Stammerers | 19 |
| Defects of articulation: | |
| (*a*) Dyslalia | 55 |
| (*b*) Sigmatism | 12 |
| (*c*) Rhinolalia, due to: | |
| (i) Cleft Palate | — |
| (ii) Nasal obstruction | — |
| Aphasia | — |
| Defective speech due to: | |
| (i) Educational sub-normality | 6 |
| (ii) Deafness | 3 |
| Retarded speech development | 11 |
| Dysphonia | 1 |
| Total | 107 |

**Cases discharged**

| | |
|---|---|
| Discharged during year | 63 |
| Speech normal | 52 |
| Speech improved | 7 |
| Unsuitable for treatment | — |
| Non co-operative | — |
| Left school | 2 |
| Left district | 2 |

## 5. CARDIAC CLINIC

During 1966, 19 new cases were seen at the Cardiac Clinic. These included 2 cases from Wetherby Division, 1 case from Horsforth and 2 cases from the North Riding of Yorkshire.

A total of 34 Clinic sessions were held during the year, and 170 children made 219 attendances. No special sessions were held for Mr. Wooler during the year, as children in need of further investigation, etc., were referred direct to him at Leeds Infirmary.

Twelve children attended Leeds Infirmary for investigation, or were awaiting operations during the year.

Five children underwent surgery in Leeds; two for closure of atrial septal defects; three for ligation of patent ductus arteriosus. Five other children attended Leeds for follow-up after previous operations.

## 6. CHILD GUIDANCE CLINIC

During the year 104 new cases were seen. 75 boys and 29 girls. 71 of these were referred from Division 7, as follows:—

| | |
|---|---|
| Divisional Medical Officer .. .. | 27 |
| General Practitioners .. .. .. | 15 |
| Head Teachers .. .. .. | 14 |
| Parents .. .. .. .. | 3 |
| Children's Officer .. .. .. | 2 |
| Children's Homes .. .. .. | 4 |
| Probation Officer .. .. .. | 2 |
| Youth Employment Officer .. | 1 |
| Others .. .. .. .. | 3 |
| | 71 |

Now that the clinic is functioning at Tadcaster we are not seeing cases from the Wetherby area. However, our waiting list remains long, but we have endeavoured to see urgent cases quickly, and the psychiatric social workers have at times interviewed the parents at short notice, when there has been a crisis.

We continue to find it most helpful to have such close contact with the Health Visitors in the clinic, and also with other social agencies in the area. Also we continue to have discussions of the problems presented by children attending the clinic, with Probation Officers, Child Care Officers, General Practitioners, Youth Employment Officers, Mental Welfare Officers, Head Teachers, etc.

## 7. CARE OF MOTHERS AND YOUNG CHILDREN

### (a) Births

**Return of Births Notified in the Divisional Area during the Year**

| Details | Births | | | | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Domiciliary | | Institutional | | |
| | Live | Still | Live | Still | |
| (*a*) Primary notifications | 205 | — | 1830 | 22 | 2057 |
| (*b*) *Add* Inward Transfers | — | — | 229 | 1 | 230 |
| (*c*) Total Notifications received | 205 | — | 2059 | 23 | 2287 |
| (*d*) *Deduct* Outward Transfers | — | — | 631 | 9 | 640 |
| (*e*) Total adjusted births | 205 | — | 1428 | 14 | 1647 |
| Analysis of Institutional Births | | | | | |
| Born in | | | | | |
| (*a*) Hospitals | | | 1361 | 14 | |
| (*b*) Maternity Homes | | | — | — | |
| (*c*) Nursing Homes | | | 67 | — | |
| Total | | | 1428 | 14 | |

The proportion of births taking place at home in 1966 is 3% less than those for 1965. It was pleasing to note that again, this year, none of the babies was stillborn.

| *Year* | *Institutional Confinement* | *Domiciliary Confinement* |
|---|---|---|
| 1951 | 78% | 22% |
| 1952 | 79% | 21% |
| 1953 | 79% | 21% |
| 1954 | 82% | 18% |
| 1955 | 82% | 18% |
| 1956 | 81% | 19% |
| 1957 | 83% | 17% |
| 1958 | 83% | 17% |
| 1959 | 82% | 18% |
| 1960 | 82% | 18% |
| 1961 | 80% | 20% |
| 1962 | 81% | 19% |
| 1963 | 84% | 16% |
| 1964 | 85% | 15% |
| 1965 | 85% | 15% |
| 1966 | 88% | 12% |

The Department investigates all applications for maternity beds on social grounds for the units at Harrogate, Ripon and York.

**(b) Ante-Natal Clinics**

Two sessions per week are held at Dragon Parade Clinic. Most family doctors undertake ante-natal care of their own patients, and the maternity hospitals also run sessions. The health department clinics are very useful in that they are able to put the expectant mother in touch with the local services which will be of use to her.

One district nurse/midwife attended an ante-natal clinic held periodically by a general practitioner in his own premises during the year.

**(c) Relaxation and Mothercraft Classes**

These are held regularly for expectant mothers at 2, Dragon Parade, Harrogate, Fysche Hall, Knaresborough, Alma House, Ripon, The Church Hall, Upper Poppleton, and Skipton Road Clinic, Harrogate. 84 expectant mothers made 698 attendances at the Harrogate Clinic; 54 mothers made 322 attendances at the Knaresborough Clinic; 28 mothers made 155 attendances at Ripon Clinic and 94 mothers made 677 attendances at the Skipton Road Clinic, Harrogate.

## Ante-Natal and Post Natal Clinics

| Name and Address of Ante-natal/Post-natal Clinic (whether held at Infant Welfare Centre or other premises) | No. of separate sessions held during year | | | | | No. of women in attendance (including those seen at combined infant welfare & ante-natal sessions) | | Total No. of attendances (including those seen at combined infant welfare and ante-natal sessions) | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Local Health Authority Medical Officers | Midwives (excluding mother-craft & re-laxation) | General practi-tioners employed on sessional basis | Hosp-ital Med. Staff | Total | A/N | P/N | A/N | P/N |
| 2, Dragon Parade, Harrogate | 40 | — | — | — | 40 | 39 | — | 81 | — |
| ,, ,, ,, | — | 51 | — | — | 51 | 123 | — | 464 | — |
| Iles Lane, Knaresborough (commenced 6.1.66) | — | 52 | — | — | 52 | 56 | — | 270 | — |
| Pateley Bridge* | — | — | 24 | — | 24 | — | — | — | — |
| Summerbridge* | — | — | 12 | — | 12 | — | — | — | — |

*Combined with Infant Welfare Clinic. No attendances during 1966.

# INFANT WELFARE CENTRES

| Name and Address of Centre | No. of Infant Welfare Sessions held during year by | | | | | No. of children who attended for the first time during the year and who were born in | | | Total No. of children who attended during the year | No. of attendances during the year made by children who were born in | | | Total attendances during the year | No. of children referred elsewhere |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Local Health Authority Medical Officers | Health Visitors only | General practitioners employed on sessional basis | Hospital Medical Staff | Total | 1966 | 1965 | 1961/1964 | | 1966 | 1965 | 1961/1964 | | |
| Central Clinic, Dragon Parade, Harrogate | 82 | 19 | — | — | 101 | 207 | 125 | 114 | 446 | 1,263 | 760 | 329 | 2,352 | — |
| St. John Ambulance H.Q., Starbeck ... | 52 | — | — | — | 52 | 163 | 134 | 81 | 378 | 1,611 | 1,295 | 201 | 3,107 | — |
| Skipton Road, Harrogate ... ... ... | — | — | 48 | — | 48 | 219 | 244 | 145 | 608 | 2,465 | 2,334 | 398 | 5,197 | — |
| Penny Pot Lane, Harrogate (Army premises) | — | 26 | — | — | 26 | 11 | 21 | 8 | 40 | 51 | 191 | 43 | 285 | — |
| St. Mark's Parochial Hall, Harrogate ... | — | — | 24 | — | 24 | 57 | 56 | 49 | 162 | 348 | 428 | 213 | 989 | 1 |
| Pannal Memorial Hall, Pannal, Harrogate | — | — | 12 | — | 12 | 10 | 14 | 13 | 37 | 62 | 73 | 39 | 174 | — |
| Methodist Buildings, College Rd., Harrogate | 24 | — | — | — | 24 | 51 | 46 | 20 | 117 | 406 | 428 | 61 | 895 | — |
| Fysche Hall, Iles Lane, Knaresborough ... | 100 | — | — | — | 100 | 172 | 217 | 222 | 611 | 1,400 | 1,284 | 881 | 3,565 | — |
| Methodist Sunday School, Boroughbridge ... | 51 | — | — | — | 51 | 30 | 20 | 33 | 83 | 200 | 285 | 264 | 749 | — |
| Village Hall, Whixley ... ... ... ... | 24 | — | — | — | 24 | 14 | 16 | 19 | 49 | 97 | 92 | 115 | 304 | — |
| Church Hall, Upper Poppleton ... ... | 26 | — | — | — | 26 | 64 | 63 | 16 | 143 | 460 | 462 | 92 | 1,014 | — |
| Alma House, Ripon ... ... ... ... | 92 | 2 | 2 | — | 96 | 195 | 120 | 30 | 345 | 1,726 | 1,915 | 207 | 3,848 | — |
| Pateley Bridge... ... ... ... ... | — | — | 23 | — | 23 | 10 | 43 | 56 | 109 | 102 | 240 | 226 | 568 | — |
| Summerbridge ... ... ... ... | — | — | 12 | — | 12 | 13 | 21 | 13 | 47 | 63 | 81 | 59 | 203 | — |
| Mobile Clinic ... ... ... ... ... | 202 | — | 233 | — | 435 | 158 | 181 | 201 | 540 | 733 | 923 | 811 | 2,467 | — |
| Totals ... ... ... | 653 | 47 | 354 | — | 1,054 | 1,374 | 1,321 | 1,020 | 3,715 | 10,987 | 10,791 | 3,939 | 25,717 | — |

Number of Children on "At Risk" Register — Nil

In addition to these, the Mobile Clinic provides infant welfare centre services in the rural parts of the area, as follows:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| ALDFIELD | Tuesday | Monthly |
| BIRSTWITH | Monday | ,, |
| BISHOP MONKTON | Friday | ,, |
| BISHOP THORNTON | Monday | ,, |
| BURNT YATES | Monday | ,, |
| *BURTON LEONARD | Friday | Fortnightly |
| *CATTAL | Wednesday | Monthly |
| DACRE | Monday | ,, |
| DARLEY | Monday | Fortnightly |
| *FOLLIFOOT | Friday | Monthly |
| GALPHAY | Tuesday | ,, |
| *GRAFTON | Wednesday | ,, |
| GRANTLEY | Tuesday | ,, |
| *GREEN HAMMERTON | Wednesday | ,, |
| GREWELTHORPE | Tuesday | ,, |
| *GREAT OUSEBURN | Wednesday | ,, |
| *HAMPSTHWAITE | Friday | Fortnightly |
| HEYSHAW LANE END | Monday | Monthly |
| *HUNSINGORE | Wednesday | ,, |
| KILLINGHALL | Friday | Fortnightly |
| KIRBY MALZEARD | Tuesday | Monthly |
| *KIRK HAMMERTON | Wednesday | ,, |
| *LITTLE OUSEBURN | Wednesday | ,, |
| LOFTHOUSE | Monday | ,, |
| MARKINGTON | Monday | ,, |
| MICKLEY | Tuesday | ,, |
| *MOOR MONKTON | Wednesday | ,, |
| NORTH LEYS | Tuesday | ,, |
| NORTH STAINLEY | Tuesday | ,, |
| *NUN MONKTON | Wednesday | ,, |
| RAMSGILL | Monday | ,, |
| *RUFFORTH | Wednesday | ,, |
| SAWLEY | Tuesday | ,, |
| *SCOTTON | Friday | ,, |
| SHAW MILLS | Monday | ,, |
| *SKELTON | Tuesday | ,, |
| STUDLEY | Tuesday | ,, |
| WINKSLEY | Tuesday | ,, |

*Welfare Foods are not sold at these sessions.

## (e) Distribution of Welfare Foods

The provision of baby foods and food supplements to expectant mothers constitutes an important part of the health services.

The arrangements in the Division are detailed below:—

**Harrogate**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Divisional Health Office, Harrogate. | Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Central Clinic, 2, Dragon Parade, Harrogate. | Monday & Thursday 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Starbeck Clinic, St. John Amb. H.Q., Starbeck, Harrogate. | Wednesday 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Skipton Road Clinic, 217A, Skipton Road, Harrogate. | Tuesday 10 a.m. to 12 noon and 2.30 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Penny Pot Lane, Harrogate (Army Premises) | Alternate Thursdays 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| St. Mark's Parochial Hall, Leeds Road, Harrogate. | Alternate Mondays 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | Vol. Worker & W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Pannal Institute, Harrogate. | Last Thursday in month, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | Vol. Worker & W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Methodist Buildings, College Road, Harlow Hill, Harrogate. | Alternate Mondays 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | Vol. Worker & W.R.C.C. Staff |

**Ripon**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Divisional Health Office, Ripon. | Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. 1.45 p.m. to 5.20 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Ripon Child Welfare Centre, Alma House | Monday 10 a.m. to 12 noon | W.R.C.C. Staff |

**Outside Clinics**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Knaresborough Clinic | Tuesday 10 a.m. to 12 noon 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Boroughbridge Clinic | Friday 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | Vol. Worker & W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Whixley Clinic | 1st and 3rd Thursday in month 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Upper Poppleton Clinic | Alternate Wednesdays 2.30 to 4.30 p.m. | Vol. Worker & W.R.C.C. Staff |

**Outside Distribution Points**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Birstwith | Post Office hours | Vol. Worker |
| Bishop Monkton | Post Office hours | Vol. Worker |
| Burnt Yates | Anytime | Vol. Worker |
| Burton Leonard | Alternate Wednesdays 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. | Vol. Worker |
| Darley | By arrangement | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Follifoot Post Office | Post Office hours | Vol. Worker |
| Great Ouseburn | Thursday—3.30 p.m. and evening | Vol. Worker |
| Killinghall Methodist Church | Alternate Fridays 9.15 a.m. to 10.40 a.m. | W.R.C.C. Staff |
| Kirkby Malzeard | Post Office hours | Vol. Worker |
| Kirk Hammerton | Anytime | Vol. Worker |
| Pateley Bridge | Shop hours | Vol. Worker |

### (f) Routine Tests on Young Children

One type of mental defect is due to a metabolic disturbance which produces damage to the brain in early life. It is detectable by a simple test on the urine of young babies which is now done as a routine by the health visitors for the babies in their care.

1,570 children were tested: all were negative.

The health visitors and midwives also test young infants for congenital dislocation of the hip by the Ortolani test.

### (g) Dental Care

The arrangements for dental treatment of expectant mothers and nursing mothers continue as before.

### (h) Care of Unmarried Mothers and their Children

The unmarried girl who is having a baby is often desperately in need of expert help and advice. She needs to make arrangements for the confinement, and for her own rehabilitation and the care of her child afterwards.

Valuable work in this field is done by the Social Workers of the Ripon Diocesan Moral Welfare Association who work in close co-operation with the general practitioners, the health visitors, and the health department.

The County Council makes grants in approved cases towards the cost of institutional care before the confinement.

132 cases were dealt with by the department during the year. Of these, 52 were between the ages of 15 and 19, 37 between the ages 20 to 24, 23 between the ages 25 to 29 and 20 between the ages of 30 and 39.

**(i) Care of Premature Infants**

These small babies need special care to avoid injury from chilling. 3 special portable incubators and equipment are provided, based at Harrogate and Ripon. These incubators are electrically heated either by mains electricity or a 12 volt car battery. All ambulances in the area have been fitted with special plugs for this purpose. The Sorrento cots are still available.

**(j) Albany Avenue Day Nursery**

This nursery is open from 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. from Monday to Friday. It accommodates the young children of mothers who are obliged to maintain themselves and their families by going out to work. The health of these children is supervised by the medical staff of the Department.

**(k) Inspection of Children at Residential Nurseries and County Children's Homes**

Medical inspections were carried out at the residential nurseries and County children's homes by the medical staff of the department. In addition, all children were examined on admission and discharge and any medical problems dealt with.

## 8. PAEDIATRIC CLINICS

In Harrogate children are seen by the paediatrician at the hospital.

**Nocturnal Enuresis**

I am indebted to Dr. Hall for the following report:—

"Treatment with the Alarm Buzzer was started in 25 cases of nocturnal enuresis during 1966.

Thirteen cases were successful, five had fair improvement and seven had poor or no improvement.

Causes of failure included—1 child, aged 5 years who was too young and immature, 2 children who were too frightened or tense to accept the buzzer, and 2 children were in poor homes where the buzzer was probably not used effectively.

One child had been given Tryptozol by the general practitioner before the use of the buzzer. The parent felt that Tryptozol was more successful and preferred to return to it. This case was a boy aged 13, at the Grammar School, and he was a very tense and 'highly strung' person.

Cases on the waiting list have increased to 55 but some of these children are too young for the buzzer".

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In the Ripon area 9 cases were treated during 1966. None were still under treatment at the end of the year. 3 cases showed successful results. 1 case showed partial improvement. 1 case showed no improvement and 2 children were afraid of the buzzer. The buzzers in these cases were withdrawn.

## 9. MIDWIFERY

During 1966, W.R.C.C. domiciliary midwives attended 201 home confinements while 1,829 cases were delivered in institutions. 170 of the latter were sent home at forty-eight hours, 216 cases after forty-eight hours but up to and including the fifth day, and 347 cases after the fifth day but before the tenth day.

Four whole-time midwives and eleven home nurse/midwives were working in the area at the end of the year.

Midwives in private practice delivered 62 babies in institutions.

The practice of allowing women to go home 24 or 48 hours after having their babies in hospital is increasing and the closest possible liaison is maintained between the staff of the hospital maternity departments and the local health authority in order that the mother may be under continuous care.

The Obstetric Flying Squad was called out on 5 occasions during the year.

| Employment of Midwives | No. of Deliveries attended by Midwives in the Area during the year | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Domiciliary Cases | | | | | |
| | Doctor not booked | | Doctor booked | | | |
| | Doctor present at time of delivery of child | Doctor not present at time of delivery of child | Doctor present at time of delivery of child (either booked doctor or another) | Doctor not present at time of delivery of child | Totals | Cases in Institutions |
| (*a*) Midwives employed by the Authority .. | — | — | 33 | 168 | 201 | — |
| (*b*) Midwives employed by vol. organisations (incl. hospitals not transferred to the Minister under the National Health Service Act) .. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| (*c*) Midwives employed by Hospital Management Committees or Boards of Governors under the National Health Service Act .. | — | — | — | — | — | 1767 |
| (*d*) Midwives in Private Practice (incl. midwives employed in nursing homes) .. | — | — | — | — | — | 62 |
| Totals .. | — | — | 33 | 168 | 201 | 1829 |

14 medical aid notices were issued by midwives during the year, all in respect of domiciliary cases. The following summary gives the conditions for which medical aid was sought.

**Medical Aid Notices**

| | Number issued because of complications arising in/during | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pregnancy | Labour | Lying in | The Child |
| (*a*) Domiciliary cases: (*i*) Where the Medical Practitioner had arranged to provide the patient with maternity medical services under the National Health Service Act .. | 3 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| (*ii*) Others .. | — | — | — | — |
| (*b*) Cases in Private Nursing Homes: (*i*) Where the Medical Practitioner had arranged to provide the patient with maternity medical services under the National Health Service Act .. | — | — | — | — |
| (*ii*) Others .. | — | — | — | — |
| (*c*) Cases in Institutions .. | — | — | — | — |
| TOTALS .. | 3 | 3 | 7 | 1 |

Trilene alone was given to 53 patients and to a further 90 patients in conjunction with Pethidine.

Pethidine alone was given to 29 cases.

## 10. HEALTH VISITING

19 full-time qualified Health Visitors, 2 full-time Assistant Health Visitors, and 5 part-time Assistant Health Visitors were employed in the area at the end of the year. Two of them did tuberculosis visiting and maintained liaison between the Health Department and the Chest Physicians. One was largely occupied with the admission and discharge of old people to hospitals, old people's homes, and Part III accommodation, working closely with the geriatric unit at Knaresborough. Like the rest of the nursing staff, they work under the general direction of the Divisional Nursing Officer.

## Health Visiting and Tuberculosis Visiting

| | No. of cases i.e., first visits | Total visits including first visits but excluding ineffective visits | Ineffective visits |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1. Children born in 1966 .. .. | 1787 | 6631 | 933 |
| 2. Children born in 1965 .. .. | 1322 | 3952 | 749 |
| 3. Children born in 1961-64 .. .. | 3281 | 7076 | 1266 |
| 4. Total number of children in lines 1—3 | 6390 | 17638 | 2948 |
| 5. Persons aged 65 or over (excluding "domestic help only" visits) .. .. | 1345 | 4169 | 241 |
| 6. Number included in line 5 who were visited at the special request of a general practitioner or hospital .. | 644 | — | — |
| 7. Mentally disordered persons .. | 31 | 89 | 7 |
| 8. Number included in line 7 who were visited at the special request of a general practitioner or hospital .. | 17 | — | — |
| 9. Persons, excluding maternity cases, discharged from hospital (other than mental hospitals) .. .. .. | 49 | 120 | 3 |
| 10. Number included in line 9 who were visited at the special request of a general practitioner or hospital .. | 35 | — | — |
| 11. Number of tuberculous households visited (i.e. visits by health visitors not employed solely on tuberculosis work) | 61 | 154 | 14 |
| 12. Number of households visited on account of other infectious diseases .. | 11 | 14 | — |
| 13. Number of tuberculous households visited by tuberculosis visitors (i.e. employed solely on T.B. work) .. | — | — | — |

## 11. HOME NURSING

22 district nurses and 2 part-time district nurses were serving the Division at the end of the year. 11 of them did combined midwifery duties also. One assistant nurse does bathing of old people.

Details of the year's work follow:—

| Classification | No. of cases attended by Home Nurses during the year | No. of visits paid by home nurses during the year |
|---|---|---|
| Medical .. .. .. | 1444 | 44362 |
| Surgical .. .. .. | 317 | 7659 |
| Infectious diseases .. .. | 10 | 123 |
| Tuberculosis .. .. .. | 23 | 1110 |
| Maternal complications .. | 43 | 374 |
| Other .. .. .. .. | 43 | 485 |
| TOTALS .. | 1880 | 54113 |

## 12. VACCINATION AND IMMUNISATION

Protection is offered from smallpox, diphtheria, whooping-cough, poliomyelitis, and tetanus, while vaccination of children over 13 years old against tuberculosis was also undertaken.

### (a) Vaccination Against Smallpox

The numbers in different age groups vaccinated or re-vaccinated during the year are shown below:—

| Age at Date of Vaccination | Under 1 | 1 | 2—4 | 5—15 | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| No. Vaccinated .. | 200 | 677 | 201 | 70 | 1148 |
| No. Re-vaccinated .. | — | — | 12 | 102 | 114 |

### (b) Vaccination Against Whooping Cough

984 children under four years of age received whooping cough vaccine during the year.

### (c) Immunisation Against Diphtheria

Number of children immunised at 31st December, 1966, who had completed a course of immunisation at any time before that date.

| Age at 31.12.66 i.e. born in year | Under 1 1966 | 1—4 1965/62 | 5—9 1961/57 | 10—14 1956/52 | Under 15 Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Last complete course of injections (whether primary or booster) | | | | | |
| 1962–1966 .. .. | 363 | 5059 | 2773 | 395 | 8590 |
| 1960 or earlier .. .. | — | — | 3403 | 5014 | 8417 |

## Children Immunised during 1965

| | Born in years— | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1966 | 1965 | 1964 | 1963 | 1962 | 1957–61 | 1952–56 | Total |
| Primary | 363 | 783 | 52 | 19 | 17 | 23 | 4 | 1261 |
| Booster | — | — | — | 3 | 194 | 359 | 56 | 612 |

### (d) Immunisation Against Tetanus

Immunisation carried out during the year (either singly or in combination with other antigens):—

| | Children born in years— | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1966 | 1965 | 1964 | 1963 | 1962 | 1957–61 | 1952–56 | Total |
| 1. Number of children who completed a full course of primary immunisation | 362 | 783 | 52 | 19 | 14 | 37 | 27 | 1294 |
| 2. Total number of children who were given a secondary or reinforcing injection | — | — | — | 3 | 169 | 634 | 150 | 956 |

### (e) Vaccination Against Poliomyelitis

Oral vaccine is now used exclusively.

1,666 people received a full course of vaccination during the year.

Booster doses were given to 855 persons.

## 13. B.C.G. VACCINATION

B.C.G. Vaccination was again offered to all children 13 years of age and over attending schools in the area.

The following are details of work carried out:—

1. No. of Medical Officers (including Divisional Medical Officer) approved to undertake B.C.G. Vaccination 5

2. Acceptances

| | |
|---|---|
| (*a*) No. of children offered tuberculin testing and vaccination if necessary (whether the offer was made during the year or previously) .. .. | 2,443 |
| (*b*) No. of (*a*) found to have been vaccinated previously .. .. .. .. .. .. | 497 |
| (*c*) No. of acceptances .. .. .. .. .. | 1,262 |
| (*d*) Percentage of acceptances, i.e., (*c*) to (*a*) — (*b*) .. | 64.84% |

3. Pre-Vaccination Tuberculin Test

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| (*a*) No. of children 2(*c*) tested.. .. .. .. | | 1165 |
| (*b*) Result of Heaf Test: | (i) Positive .. .. | 223 |
| | (ii) Negative .. .. | 881 |
| | (iii) Not ascertained .. | 61 |
| (*c*) Percentage positive, i.e. (*b*) (i) to (*b*) (i) + (ii) .. | | 20.2% |

4. Vaccination

| | |
|---|---|
| No. vaccinated following negative Heaf Test .. | 874 |

## 14. MENTAL HEALTH

### (a) Mental Welfare

**Harrogate Psychiatric Social Club**

The Club has met on 52 occasions during 1966. The attendances totalled 1,167 and averaged 23. Approximately 10 people have left the Club during the year and a similar number of regular attenders have joined the Club. 14 referrals have not resulted in active membership.

Club activities still follow the same pattern—Whist, Dominoes, "Beetle" and Bingo for the older age groups and Table Tennis and gramophone records (which they bring along from their own collections) for the younger people. Dancing remains a popular pastime and it brings the members together for the last hour of the Club session.

The seaside holiday is becoming an annual event. 21 people enjoyed a week at Bridlington. 12 were from Harrogate, 7 from Skipton, 1 from Ilkley and 1 from Wetherby. The Harrogate Citizens' Guild of Help met the expenses of four Harrogate people and the Happy Wanderers Ambulance Organisation kindly lent their minibus to provide transport. Bridlington Corporation granted concessions to our patients and they were admitted to entertainments provided by the Corporation at half price.

30 Club Members, accompanied by the Mental Welfare Officer who organised the outing, took part in a visit to Leeds to see the film "Sound of Music".

A member of the Harrogate Lions Club provided transport for ten people and thus made possible an evening visit to Ilkley during July.

On two occasions a voluntary social worker who regularly assists at the Club, showed colour slides taken during his period of residence in the Bahamas and other parts of the world, and on another occasion Dr. D. E. Munro, Consultant Psychiatrist, showed colour slides, and songs at the piano were sung by a former patient and her two sons.

A weekend stay in a Lakeland Youth Hostel was successful, and with the promised support of the Youth Hostel Association it is hoped to extend this type of holiday during 1967.

The Christmas Party was attended by 68 people (which included a party from the York Psychiatric Club). The catering was an outstanding success and it was done, without any Mental Welfare Officer support, by the Club Members. The "Floor Show" which followed, during the Dance, was produced by a Club Member, one of the "stars" being a former trainee at the Training Centre and the supporting caste including two psychiatrists!

Another inter-club visit was arranged with the Ilkley Club. It was a great occasion for one of our members who was formerly a member of the Ilkley Club and was happy to act as hostess.

**Harrogate Therapeutic Centre**

| | *Sessions* | *Attendances Patients* | *Attendances Psychiatrists* | *Attendances M.W.O's* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mondays | 40 | 300 | 40 | 40 |
| Tuesday | 48 | 599 | — | 48 |
| Wednesday | 50 | 680 | 41 | 50 |
| Thursday | 50 | 213 | — | 50 |
| Friday | 50 | 536 | — | 50 |
| | 238 | 2328 | 81 | 238 |
| | | *179 | | |
| | | 2507 | | |

*Persons interviewed by Psychiatrist or M.W.O. who were not accepted for further therapy. Most of them were self referred or came to the Mental Welfare Department from the Harrogate Citizens' Guild of Help. They were people with a problem which could not be considered to be a mental health problem.

No. of persons receiving therapy or support .. .. 250

The Harrogate Therapeutic Centre has now been established just over three years so it may be appropriate to take a look at its declared aims and to ascertain how far they have been achieved. The aims were:—

(1) To maintain in the community a large number of patients who, in spite of the existing services, frequently return to hospital for treatment which can only be described as maintenance—patients who ought not to be occupying hospital beds.

(2) To rehabilitate those who, though far from well on discharge, have had all the treatment the hospital can give and who stand a chance of adjusting to life in the community, given a therapeutic environment in which they could be given assistance in making social contacts, in taking (a degree at a time) normal responsibilities, and in accepting the necessary disciplines of day to day living.

(3) To attempt to do something about the psychopath in the community.

(4) To place the Mental Health Services in a position to consider group therapy for juvenile psychotics under the guidance of a psychiatrist.

The first aim has been amply achieved, but the same satisfaction cannot be felt about the second aim. It is hardly surprising that the kind of social therapy envisaged has not been carried out in premises where it is not possible to delegate even the making of a cup of tea to a patient. There has been no progress to date along the lines of the fourth aim, but undoubtedly the outstanding success of the Centre has been the rather surprising progress that has been made towards the third aim—the treatment of psychopathy. This new development has changed the character of the Centre. Attendances have fallen to some extent since the last return of figures. The psychopath often functions quite well in the community until an emotional crisis arises and then he needs help at once. One of the reasons why the psychopath is not welcome at the Out-patient Clinic is that he does not keep his appointment. At the Therapeutic Centre he is permitted to miss his appointment and to come along when he feels the need to do so. This permissive attitude results in erratic attendances but provides the atmosphere for preventive work with this type of patient.

**Out-Patient Clinics**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Harrogate General Hospital | Tuesday & Friday afternoons | Dr. D. E. Munro |
| Ripon General Hospital | Monday afternoon | Dr. D. E. Munro |

A Mental Welfare Officer is in attendance the whole of the time the Clinic is open in the case of Harrogate Hospital and at Ripon the Mental Welfare Officer calls to deal with any matters which may have arisen.

**Rehabilitation**

Six patients have been rehabilitated by Outlook Housing Association and ten patients have been placed in private furnished rooms or residential employment. Three patients who were out of hospital on trial have returned to hospital. Rehabilitation of long-stay patients is time consuming and it is unlikely that these figures could be exceeded without an increase in the staff of the Mental Welfare Department. It will take a long time to empty the hospitals of institutionalised patients, but perhaps the aim of the future is to prevent their coming into being.

HARROGATE TRAINING CENTRE

**Training Courses, Meetings and Visits of Observation**

During the year Miss Reynolds, Mrs. Barker, Miss Craven, Miss McCall and Mrs. Higgins attended courses at Grantley Hall Adult College. Miss Reynolds, Mr. Plant and Mrs. Mawson attended a meeting at County Hall, Wakefield, for Supervisors and Senior Instructors. Miss Reynolds attended a meeting at County Hall for Supervisors.

Miss Reynolds visited Rothwell and Horsforth Training Centres.

Members of staff in the Junior Wing made invididual visits to Woodlands Infants' School. Evening visits to the Elizabeth Fry Home for problem families and Hilton Grange Residential E.S.N. School were arranged.

**Trainees**

**(a) Numbers on Roll**

| | Jan. 1st, 1966 | Jan. 27th, 1967 |
|---|---|---|
| Junior Wing | 44 | 45 |
| Female Wing | 10 | 14 |
| Male Wing | 15 | 16 |
| Special Care Unit | 8 | 6 |
| Total | 77 | 81 |

During 1966, one Junior Wing boy was transferred to a residential school for the educationally sub-normal.

For two days in January, trainees from the Wetherby and Tadcaster areas were unable to attend the Centre because the driver of the mini-bus was ill.

**(b) Outings**

A full programme was arranged which included visits to various places of interest:—

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| March 22nd | Class 3 | York. |
| May 6th | Class 4T. | Leeds Art Gallery |
| May 6th | Adult Females | ,, |
| May 9th | Class 3 | ,, |
| May 10th | Class 1 & 2 | ,, |
| June 23rd | Classes 2, 3, & 4T. | Hornsea |
| June 5th | Adult Wings | ,, |
| July 13th | Class 1 | Bolton Abbey |
| July 20th | Class 4T. | Knaresborough |
| August 4th | Adult Wings | York |

As well as these specific outings, the children in the Junior Wing went out locally visiting various shops, the railway station and for nature walks. Public transport is used whenever possible.

**(c) Swimming**

Swimming sessions continued at Starbeck Swimming Baths each week during the summer months. These were beneficial and immensely enjoyed.

Members of the Psychiatric Club also attended.

Unfortunately, I do not think it will be possible to continue these sessions during 1967 as difficulties concerning staff have arisen.

**(d) Competitions**

During May, paintings done by the trainees were entered in the Yorkshire Regional Art Competition run by the National Society for Mentally Handicapped Children. These were displayed in Leeds Art Gallery. Five paintings won prizes; five were commended and three were sold.

**Visitors**

In addition to visits from professional bodies and statutory and voluntary organisations, periodically, students on training course for Teachers of the Mentally Handicapped in Leeds, Sheffield and Hull spend varying lengths of time here on teaching practice.

Students from other training colleges, for instance Ripon and Bingley, come to observe and collect material for an essay or thesis.

**Hostel**

Eight children reside in the hostel when not attending the Centre, from Monday tea-time to Friday breakfast-time. I still feel that if arrangements could be made for an emergency admittance, a short-stay week-end and holiday care, for children from this Centre, it would be of great benefit to parents. Some parents do contact me from time to time; parents who are often near breaking point and need to be relieved of the strain of their child for a short time.

**Psychiatric Social Club**

This is held weekly at the Centre.

**Contract Work.**

Mr. Plant and Mrs. Mawson as Senior Instructors, are responsible for the output of contract work in their respective wings.

I still feel, however, that the young adults in these wings require more social training than time allows at present. Not only social training but a good all-round knowledge, according to capabilities of course, as often the young adults want to settle down and "learn" as they become older and thus more worldly.

**Dental Inspection**

All trainees are inspected and treated periodically.

**Speech Therapy**

Mrs. Gill, a Speech Therapist from Harrogate Hospital, comes twice weekly to give therapy to two children in the nursery group. Both show progress—one especially. It would be excellent if this could be extended to other children.

**Special Care Unit**

At present there are six children in a unit which is far too small. Big chairs and apparatus are used and take up a large part of the floor area. These children need as much room as possible to move about as often their movements are clumsy and not well controlled.

Toilet and changing facilities are poor for this type of child and, of course, there is no sluice.

Many difficulties arise because there is no outer door in the unit. If such a door existed and led to a small low-walled area these children would be able to have more fresh air. It is often these children who are kept inside more than usual, at home.

Nearby storage facilities for big apparatus, toys and beds not in use, would be a great help.

I do not think it is good, from a psychological point of view, for the assistant supervisor in the unit to be full-time there. Apart from her half-hour lunch break she is not often in contact with another member of staff.

**Meadow Bank Hostel**

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Total day attendances of permanent residents .. | 1,394 | |
| Total possible attendances .. .. .. .. | 1,511 | |
| No. of absences .. .. .. .. .. .. | 117 | |
| No. of children admitted for short stay .. .. | 8 | |
| Total attendance .. .. .. .. .. .. | 91 | days |
| Total admissions other than short stay .. .. | 4 | |
| Total discharges .. .. .. .. .. .. | 3 | |

Of the children discharged:—

1. One child removed to another area.
2. Two children had improved sufficiently in health and habits to be able to live at home and travel daily to the Training Centre.

Although there was only one case of infection at the hostel during the year, this was one of Sonne dysentery which necessitated a stay of 5 weeks in Seacroft Hospital, followed by an acute attack of bronchitis a week later, and admission to Scotton Hospital for a further 2 weeks.

The other absentees were two mongol type children—both of whom have now left us. These had respiratory diseases at intervals during the winter months.

There were four new admissions during the year.

The conclusions reached after $2\frac{1}{2}$ years of hostel experience are that, in some instances, it would be advisable to have a hostel where children could be accommodated for the whole term and only return home for short holidays. This would apply mainly to children who are emotionally at odds with their parents. Both parties would benefit from this arrangement.

Owing to staff illness the Hostel was closed for one week from April 25th and from May 27th to June 13th, which coincided with the Junior Training Centre holidays.

On June 13th our first permanent resident Assistant Warden commenced duty. This has brought about a tremendous improvement in every way.

In April the hostel was adopted by boys from the Ashville College and girls of the Harrogate Convent School. The boys presented us with an old car, which has given the children much pleasure. The girls send a team down each Thursday afternoon during the term, to play with the children and help with tea, etc.

The portable paddling pool was very much enjoyed during the summer, also the two second-hand bicycles for the older boys.

On Thursday evenings four of the older children attend the club run by the Local Society for Mentally Handicapped Children and enjoy it enormously.

The four new children are already very much a part of the Meadow Bank family and we have had many happy outings and excursions during the year, including a visit to the Knaresborough Zoo, outings on the river, and picnics.

## 15. HOME HELP SERVICE

This service has shown a slight decrease in the number of cases over the previous year, and 12,540 fewer hours were worked than in 1965.

6 full and 197 part-time home helps were employed, equivalent to 81 whole-time workers.

The following table gives details of the work undertaken for various categories of user:—

| Category | No. of Cases | Employed Hours |
|---|---|---|
| Maternity .. .. .. .. .. | 70 | 1,841 |
| Mentally disordered .. .. .. | 2 | 253 |
| Chronic Sick (*a*) 65+ .. .. .. | 892 | 131,651 |
| (*b*) Under 65 & tuberculous | 117 | 22,736 |
| Others .. .. .. .. .. | 54 | 2,576 |
| TOTALS .. | 1,135 | 159,057 |

## 16. PREVENTION OF ILLNESS, CARE AND AFTER-CARE

The Chest Physicians hold sessions twice a week at Scotton Banks Hospital, three times a week at Harrogate General Hospital and once a week at Ripon and District Hospital.

Tuberculosis Health Visitors attend the Clinics at Harrogate and Ripon. One of the sessions at Harrogate is used as a special children's and adolescent's clinic.

The Chest Physician reports as follows:—

"During the year 1966, 17 new cases of tuberculosis were diagnosed and 3 new cases were transferred in from other areas. Of these new cases 14 were treated in hospital, 3 remaining in hospital at the end of December, 1966, the rest being kept under observation or treatment at home.

As a result of these new cases, 337 contacts have been seen. No further active cases have been found but some are continuing under supervision and prophylactic treatment. 121 contacts were inoculated with B.C.G. under the contact scheme.

6 patients have transferred out of the area or the names have been removed as being "recovered". Although there are still a number of patients attending the clinic, none of them is infectious.

1 case of tuberculosis was in a Chinese from Hong Kong who worked in a cafe. He was non-infectious but was given a period of 3 months hospital treatment as a precaution.

Cases of tuberculosis that have arisen in factories or government departments have involved extensive skin testing and X-raying of all at risk on one occasion in a large Government department the Mass Radiography Mobile Unit examined the whole personnel.

The Care Committee works in conjunction with the Chest Clinic in providing extra comforts for those cases of tuberculosis who are in poor financial circumstances and gives very valuable help. They also arrange for Christmas parcels of food to be given to all needy cases

There has been no significant development during the year but as will be seen from the above, a lot of work has been done in attempting to trace contacts of new cases of tuberculosis".

## 17. CHIROPODY

This service continued to be provided for old age pensioners, expectant mothers, and handicapped persons.

A direct service is in operation in the Borough of Harrogate and Ripon and indirect services provided in conjunction with voluntary bodies were worked in Knaresborough, Pateley Bridge, Boroughbridge, Nun Monkton, Burton Leonard, Whixley, Upper Poppleton and Kirby Malzeard.

## 18. REGISTRATION OF NURSING HOMES

There were 13 registered nursing homes in the division at the end of the year. All but one were inspected during 1966.

## 19. REGISTRATION OF OLD PEOPLE'S HOMES

The 21 old people's homes registered in the area were visited in conjunction with the Divisional Welfare Officer.

## 20. CHILDREN NEGLECTED OR ILL-TREATED

10 monthly meetings of the Committee were held in Harrogate and one meeting was held in Ripon.

The County Council guarantees the rent of problem families who are likely to be evicted from Council houses. This gives the health and welfare staffs an opportunity to advise and help these people in various ways and is normally successful in keeping the family unit in being.

6 rent guarantees were given during 1966. One case has now cleared its rent arrears.

## 21. MEDICAL EXAMINATION OF STAFF, ETC.

Medical examination of new staff is only carried out on those who have a significant medical history or who are over 45 years old, thus avoiding some unnecessary work for the medical staff.

Medical examinations were carried out as follows:—

| | |
|---|---|
| West Riding County Council .. .. .. .. | 65 |
| District Councils .. .. .. .. .. .. | 96 |
| Other authorities .. .. .. .. .. .. | 13 |
| Applicants for Teachers Training Colleges .. .. | 146 |
| Children for employment (including entertainment) .. | 80 |

## 22. HEALTH EDUCATION

The Divisional Nursing Officer reports as follows:—

With the final change of attachment to general practitioners, the Health Visitors have had a busy time getting to know their new families and, with the introduction of testing babies and school children for hearing defects, have had little time to concentrate on the very time consuming subject of health education.

**Relaxation Classes** continue to be in great demand, so much so that the midwives have started a class on Wednesday evenings and afternoons. The Friday class which was for the girls from St. Monica's is now held at the Home by a midwife and consists of post-natal care and advice and exercises as well as ante-natal care and education.

All other classes continue to function well with good co-operation between the midwives and health visitors.

With Miss Everitt, the supervisor of midwives, I visited Ripon Army Camp where we saw the C.O. and his wife. Arrangements have been made to start a new class in the camp in the new year. We appreciate the help given us at the Camp.

With the training of the nursing staff in the use of projectors, film strips have been in great demand as teaching aids, by both health visitors and midwives. To help this I have compiled a list of health education material held in this Division, which has been circulated to all members of the staff.

**Mothers' Clubs** at Harrogate and Knaresborough have continued to expand and have offered a variety of interesting programmes to its members.

Dr. Hepple acted as Chairman to a lively Brains Trust at Knaresborough and I was a member of the panel.

Both Miss Harte and Mrs. Holgate have given talks to the Knaresborough Clubs.

**Schools**

We have continued to give talks as before in St. Peter's Girls' School, but with the Starbeck Secondary Modern School moving to new premises, it has not been possible to hold classes there, but we would like to re-start these.

Miss Collinson has spoken to the Modern School, Ripon, on "Mothercraft" and Mrs. Tombs on "Safety First".

**Outside Talk**

Miss Harte has given a talk to the Girls' Venture Club on hygiene, posture and diet and to the Methodist Churchwomen's Guild on social services.

Miss Brown has taken exams. for the St. John Cadets and given a talk to the young wives at Pateley Bridge.

In January, Mrs. Wainwright and I examined St. John Cadets on Child Welfare.

I have had a very interesting year giving a variety of talks to a variety of people. The talk on the "care of the aged in their own homes" and "growing old" was given to such audiences as Women's Institutes, Young Wives and Friendly Groups. I have also spoken on the "Home Help Service" and the "Work of the Health Visitor".

We have shown the film "Growing Old" and used it as a basis for discussion with the home helps at Ripon, Harrogate and Knaresborough. This was a success and we hope to hold further meetings.

I showed films on sex education to a parent teacher group at Boroughbridge. This was followed by a lively discussion on how, when, and who, should teach this subject to their children.

I have continued to give lectures to the final year students at Harrogate General Hospital on Local Health Authority Services.

Finally, I had a large audience of second year student teachers at Ripon Teachers' Training College.

## AMBULANCE SERVICE

In the West Riding this is a separate service. The Ambulance Station is at Harrogate under the charge of a Superintendent Ambulance Officer and in both Ripon and Pateley Bridge there are sub-depots which are manned by the respective divisions of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and which give stirling service. Short wave wireless control is held throughout the Division.

### Hospitals Under the Management of the Regional Hospital Board

| Name | Situation | Purpose | Beds | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Adults | Children |
| Harrogate & District General Hospital | Knaresborough Rd., Harrogate | Medical, Surgical, Maternity | 228 | 25 |
| Carlton Lodge | Leeds Road, Harrogate | Maternity | 13 | — |
| Royal Bath Hospital | Cornwall Road, Harrogate | Rheumatic Diseases | 130 | — |
| White Hart Hospital | Cold Bath Road, Harrogate | do. | 130 | — |
| Yorkshire Home | Cornwall Road, Harrogate | Chronic Sick Cases | 77 | — |
| Heatherdene Convalescent Hospital | Wetherby Road, Harrogate | Convalescent Cases | 38 | — |
| Dunelm Hospital | Cornwall Road, Harrogate | Temporarily closed | 22 | — |
| Ripon & District Hospital | Firby Lane, Ripon | Medical, Surgical, Maternity | 48 | 7 |
| S. Wilfrid's Hospital | Princess Road, Ripon | Chronic Sick | 32 | — |
| Thistle Hill Hospital | Knaresborough | Geriatrics | 34 | — |
| Scotton Banks Hospital | Ripley Road, Knaresborough | Paediatrics | — | 21 |
| Do. | do. | General Surgery | 27 | — |
| Do. | do. | Gynaecology | 26 | — |
| Do. | do. | Dis. of Chest | 96 | — |
| Do. | do. | Young Chronic Sick | 34 | — |
| Do. | do. | Medical | 22 | — |
| Do. | do. | Private Wing Sect. 5 | 16 | — |
| Do. | do. | do. Sect. 4 | 8 | — |
| Knaresborough Hosp. | Stockwell Road, Knaresborough | Chronic Sick | 132 | — |
| Do. | do. | Part III | 87 | — |

**Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases.** Number of cases originally notified during the year ended 31st December, 1966, and of final numbers after correction of diagnosis, etc.

| | Scarlet Fever | | Whooping Cough | | Acute Poliomyelitis | | | | Measles (excl. Rubella) | | Diphtheria | | Dysentery | | Meningococcal infection | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | Paralytic | | Non-Paralytic | | | | | | | | | |
| | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| Nos. originally notified: Total (all ages) .. .. .. | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | — | — | — | — | 8 | 9 | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| Final numbers after correction .. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 1 year .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 1 year .. .. .. .. | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 2 years .. .. .. .. | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 3 years .. .. .. .. | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 4 years .. .. .. .. | — | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 5–9 years .. .. .. .. | 2 | 2 | — | — | — | — | — | — | 4 | 4 | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| 10–14 years .. .. .. | — | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 15–24 years .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 25 and over .. .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Age unknown .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Total (all ages) .. .. .. | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | — | — | — | — | 8 | 9 | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |

## Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases—*cont.*

| | Acute Pneumonia | | Smallpox | | Acute Encephalitis | | | | Typhoid Fever | | Paratyphoid Fever | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | Infective | | Post Infectious | | | | | |
| | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| Nos. originally notified: Total (all ages) .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Final numbers after correction: | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Under 5 years .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 5–14 years .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 15–44 „ .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 45–64 „ .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 65 and over .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Age unknown .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Total (all ages) .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |

## Prevalence and Control over Infectious and Other Diseases—*cont.*

| | Erysipelas | | Food Poisoning | | Other notifiable diseases | Original notification | | Final Numbers | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | M | F | M | F | | M | F | M | F |
| Nos. originally notified: Total (all ages) | — | — | — | — | Puerperal Pyrexia | — | — | — | — |
| Final numbers after correction: | | | | | Ophthalmia Neonatorum | — | — | — | — |
| Under 5 years .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |
| 5–14 years .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |
| 15–44 „ .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |
| 45–64 „ .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |
| 65 and over .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |
| Age unknown .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |
| TOTAL (all ages) .. .. | — | — | — | — | | | | | |

**Scarlet Fever**

5 notifications were received during the year, compared with 7 for 1965, which gave a notification rate of 0.49 per thousand population.

**Whooping Cough**

There were 4 notifications for 1966 compared with 6 for the previous year; a notification rate of 0.39 per 1,000 population.

**Measles**

17 cases were notified in 1966 compared with 178 in 1965. giving a notification rate of 1.67 per thousand population.

**Dysentery**

1 case occurred in a girl aged seven years.

**Brucellosis**

This chronic illness is caused by contact with infected cows or by drinking unpasteurised milk containing the organism. One case was diagnosed in a Knaresborough Hospital, a 42 year old man from a neighbouring district.

**Poliomyelitis**

No notifications were received for the fourteenth year in succession.

**Tuberculosis**

1 new pulmonary case was notified in an adult male. The notification rate was 0.10 per thousand population.

The following tables give details from the Tuberculosis Register:

| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | M | F | M | F | Total |
| Number on Register at 1st January 1966 .. .. .. .. | 29 | 27 | 3 | 4 | 63 |
| New notifications in 1966.. .. | 1 | — | — | — | 1 |
| Number restored to Register .. | 1 | — | — | — | 1 |
| Number added to Register otherwise than by notification .. | 2 | — | — | — | 2 |
| Number removed from Register in 1966 .. .. .. .. | 16 | 15 | 3 | 1 | 35 |
| Number on Register at 31st December, 1966 .. .. | 17 | 12 | — | 3 | 32 |

Age and Sex of New Cases and Deaths from Tuberculosis:—

| Ages | New Cases | | | | Cases removed from Register due to death | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | | Pulmonary | | Non-Pulmonary | |
| | M | F | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| Under 5 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 5—14 years | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 15—24 „ | — | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 25—44 „ | 1 | — | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| 45—64 „ | — | — | — | — | — | 1 | — | — |
| 65 and over | — | — | — | — | 1 | 1 | — | — |
| Total | 1 | — | — | — | 1 | 2 | — | — |

**Cancer**

28 deaths were attributed to cancer, giving a death rate of 2.73 per thousand population.

# ANNUAL REPORT OF THE PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS FOR THE YEAR 1966

To the Chairman and Members of the
Knaresborough Urban District Council.

Mr. Chairman, Madam, and Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in submitting my Annual Report on the Public Health and Cleansing Services for the year 1966. As is customary the report on the Cleansing Service refers to the financial year ending 31st March, 1967.

The Department was without a Public Health Inspector for three months during the year and I must pay tribute to Mr. Dodsworth who took over at a difficult time and kept the work running smoothly.

On the Cleansing side the biggest problem has been the acquisition of a new Refuse Tip when the one at Wetherby Road was found to be almost full. However, at the end of the year arrangements were in hand to use part of the gravel quarries in the Hazelheads Lane area, and it is hoped that negotiations will soon be completed.

The number of applications for Improvement Grants was again lower than the previous year, this decline follows the pattern of the last four years. I feel that very few owners of Tenanted houses are likely to apply for Grants unless they are forced and as I have said in another part of this Report the present legislation is not as effective as it might be.

I wish to record my appreciation of help and encouragement I have received from the members of the Council and from Dr. Hepple, and of the co-operation of the staff.

I am, Mr. Chairman, Madam and Gentlemen,

Yours faithfully,

J. D. ANDREWS,
Public Health Inspector.

## SANITARY INSPECTION OF THE AREA

| | |
|---|---|
| Total number of inspections and visits made | 3,316 |
| Complaints reported to the Public Health Department | 253 |
| Contraventions found after complaint | 186 |
| Contraventions discovered | 80 |
| Contraventions in hand at 31.12.65 | 14 |
| Number abated during 1966 | 150 |
| Contraventions outstanding at 31.12.66 | 12 |
| Informal notices served | 145 |
| Formal notices served | 1 |
| Formal notices complied with | 1 |

## DETAILS OF INSPECTIONS

| | |
|---|---|
| Public Health Acts, 1936—1961: | |
| Obstructed drains and sewers | 21 |
| Drainage and sewer inspections | 65 |
| Drains tested:— | |
| Colour Test | 12 |
| Water Test | — |
| Nuisances and sanitary defects | 136 |
| Cleanliness of houses | — |
| Keeping of animals | 5 |
| Insect infestations | 65 |
| Rivers, streams and ditches | 20 |
| Infectious diseases | 7 |
| Disinfections | 2 |
| Disinfestations | 39 |
| Knackers Yard | 42 |
| Unsewered premises | 5 |
| Re-inspections—Public Health Acts | 186 |
| Public Conveniences | — |
| Public Cleansing Services:— | |
| Refuse Collection | 241 |
| Refuse Disposal | 181 |
| Prevention of Damage by Pests Act, 1949 | 61 |
| Caravan Sites and Control of Development Act, 1960 | 81 |
| Clean Air Act, 1956 | 11 |
| Noise Abatement Act, 1960 | 7 |
| Factories Act, 1937:— | |
| Part 1 | 21 |
| Outworkers | — |
| Shops Act, 1950 | 2 |
| Pet Animals Act, 1951 | 5 |
| Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act, 1963 | 182 |

| | |
|---|---|
| Hairdressers and Barbers | 3 |
| Agriculture (Safety, Health & Welfare) Act, 1956 | 12 |
| Housing Acts, 1957-1961:— | |
| Survey and Inspection | 80 |
| Overcrowding | 4 |
| Miscellaneous visits | 106 |
| Improvement Grants | 80 |
| Council House Inspections | 7 |
| Food & Drugs Act, 1955:— | |
| Fried Fish Shops | 11 |
| Butcher's Shops | 21 |
| Bakehouses | 5 |
| General Provisions | 45 |
| Greengrocers, Fishmongers, Poultry Dealers | 30 |
| Hotel, Cafe & Canteen Kitchens | 41 |
| Food Preparation Premises | 15 |
| Confectioners | 30 |
| Ice Cream Premises and selling | 41 |
| Hotels and Licensed premises | 13 |
| Milk and Dairies | 12 |
| Unsound Food | 26 |
| Miscellaneous Food Visits | — |
| Bacteriological Examinations:— | |
| Water | 5 |
| Milk | 29 |
| Ice Cream | 1 |
| Other Foods | 15 |
| Food Hawkers, Food Hawkers' premises and vehicles | 5 |
| Slaughterhouse | 130 |
| Market Inspection | 30 |
| Food Stalls | 51 |
| Meetings and Interviews | 71 |

## SUMMARY OF WORK CARRIED OUT TO ABATE NUISANCES, 1966

| | |
|---|---|
| Eavesgutters and fallpipes repaired or renewed | 2 |
| Defective roofs repaired | 5 |
| Defective floors repaired | 12 |
| Wall and ceiling plaster repaired | 31 |
| Defective drains cleared, repaired or re-laid | 17 |
| Defective windows repaired | 1 |
| Defective doors repaired | 2 |
| Defective stairs repaired | 3 |
| New sinks provided | 3 |
| Cleanliness of houses improved | — |

| | |
|---|---|
| Cooking facilities improved or repaired | 9 |
| Extra ventilation provided | 1 |
| Natural lighting improved | 3 |
| Food stores provided | 11 |
| Accumulation of refuse removed | 16 |
| Defective W.Cs repaired | 9 |
| New dustbins provided | 41 |
| External walls rendered or pointed | 3 |
| Cesspools cleaned | 22 |
| Smoke nuisances abated | — |
| Yard surface repaired | 1 |
| Works to remedy dampness carried out | 27 |
| Insect nuisances abated | 7 |

## CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA WATER SUPPLY.

The Claro Water Board, of which the Council is a constituent member, is responsible for the supply and distribution of water throughout the area.

The following table shows details of water samples taken in the area and submitted for bacteriological analysis:—

| Source of Supply | No. of Samples | Probable No. per 100ml. | | Result |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Coliform bacilli | Bact-Coli (Type 1) | |
| Public Supply | 17 | Nil | Nil | Satisfactory |

During the year mains extensions were provided to the following sites:—

Aspin Park Drive.
Chain Lane.
Farfields.

## SEWERS AND DRAINS

Practically all the houses in the district are connected to the main sewerage system. The remainder are drained mainly to Septic tanks.

## KNACKERS YARD

Complaints about offensive smells from the district's only knackers yard were still being received at the end of the year. I feel that the trouble is mainly due to defects which crop up from time to time rather than to any inherent fault in the plant.

## HAIRDRESSERS AND BARBERS

3 visits were paid to hairdressers' premises registered under the West Riding (General Purposes) Act. They were found to be satisfactory.

## NOISE ABATEMENT ACT, 1960

7 visits were paid in respect of alleged noise nuisance. No statutory action was necessary.

## OFFICES, SHOPS & RAILWAY PREMISES ACT, 1963

Very few premises had omitted to register by the end of the year and almost all of them have been inspected. In general contraventions have been of a minor nature, employers have needed little persuasion to put matters right.

Only two accidents, neither of them serious, have been reported and investigation was not necessary.

### Registrations and General Inspections

| Class of Premises | Number of premises registered during the year | Number of registered premises at end of year | Number of registered premises receiving a general inspection during the year |
|---|---|---|---|
| Offices .. .. .. | — | 30 | 12 |
| Retail Shops .. .. | 21 | 71 | 61 |
| Wholesale shops, Warehouses .. .. | — | 1 | — |
| Catering establishments open to the public, canteens .. .. | 2 | 17 | 8 |
| Fuel Storage Depots .. | — | 1 | — |
| Total .. | 23 | 120 | 81 |

Total number of visits of all kinds to registered premises under the Act .. .. .. .. .. .. 182

**Analysis of Persons Employed in Registered Premises by Workplace:**

| *Class of workplace* | *Number of persons employed* |
|---|---|
| Offices | 198 |
| Retail Shops | 227 |
| Wholesale departments, warehouse | 8 |
| Catering establishments open to the public | 120 |
| Canteens | — |
| Fuel Storage depots | 2 |
| Total | 555 |
| Total Males | 196 |
| Total Females | 359 |

**Analysis of Contraventions**

| *Section* | | *Number of Contraventions found* |
|---|---|---|
| 4 | Cleanliness | 39 |
| 5 | Overcrowding | — |
| 6 | Temperature | 42 |
| 7 | Ventilation | 5 |
| 8 | Lighting | 15 |
| 9 | Sanitary conveniences | 48 |
| 10 | Washing Facilities | 34 |
| 11 | Supply of Drinking Water | — |
| 12 | Clothing Accommodation | 7 |
| 13 | Sitting Facilities | 1 |
| 14 | Seats (Sedentary workers) | — |
| 15 | Eating Facilities | — |
| 16 | Floors, Passages and Stairs | 28 |
| 17 | Fencing exposed parts machinery | 29 |
| 18 | Protection of young persons from dangerous machinery | — |
| 19 | Training of young persons working at dangerous machinery | — |
| 24 | First Aid—General Provisions | 24 |
| | Total | 252 |

## Reported Accidents

| Workplace | No. Reported | Total No. Investigated | Prosecution | Action Recommended | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Formal Warning | Informal Advice |
| Offices .. .. | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| Retail Shops .. | 1 | — | — | — | — |
| Wholesale Shops, Warehouses .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Catering Establishments open to public, canteens | — | — | — | — | — |
| Fuel Storage Depots | — | — | — | — | — |
| Totals .. | 2 | — | — | — | — |

## Analysis of Reported Accidents

| | Offices | Retail Shops | Wholesale Warehouses | Catering establishments open to public, canteens | Fuel Storage Depots |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Machinery .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Transport .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Falls of person .. .. | 1 | 1 | — | — | — |
| Stepping on or striking against object or person | — | — | — | — | — |
| Handling goods .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Struck by falling object | — | — | — | — | — |
| Fire and explosions .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Electricity .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Use of hand tools .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Not otherwise specified | — | — | — | — | — |

## FACTORIES

At the end of 1966, there were 66 premises on the Factory Register. Details of these premises are shown below:—

**(a) Factories without power—**

| | |
|---|---|
| Baking | 1 |
| Hand Knitwear | 1 |
| Slaughterhouse | 1 |
| Starshell Parachutes | 1 |
| Upholstery and Cabinet Making | 1 |
| Total | 5 |

**(b) Factories with power—**

| | |
|---|---|
| Bakeries | 3 |
| Boot Making & Repairs | 1 |
| Boot & Shoe Repairs | 2 |
| Brickworking Machinery | 1 |
| Cabinet Making | 1 |
| Chocolates & Sweets | 1 |
| Cotton Sewing | 1 |
| Electricity Generation | 1 |
| Joinery, Wheelwright & Plumbing | 4 |
| Knackers Yard | 1 |
| Laundry | 1 |
| Light Engineering | 2 |
| Linen & Cotton Weaving | 2 |
| Manufactured Meat Foods | 2 |
| Motor Vehicle Repairs | 11 |
| Plastic Goods | 2 |
| Poultry Killing | 1 |
| Printing | 1 |
| Pumping Station | 1 |
| Raincoat Manufactures | 2 |
| Sausage Making | 1 |
| Shirt Manufacture | 2 |
| Skin Curing | 1 |
| Sports Clothes | 1 |
| Timber Sawing | 2 |
| Ulon Manufacture | 1 |
| Total | 49 |

**(c) Other Premises—**

Building and Civil Engineering Operations .. .. 12

21 Inspections were carried out during the year and contraventions noted were remedied by the persons responsible.

**Outworkers**

There were 5 names on the August list of outworkers: all employed in the making up of clothes.

## Prescribed Particulars on the Administration of the Factories Act, 1937
## Part 1 of the Act

1. Inspections for the purposes and provisions as to health (including inspections made by the Public Health Inspector):—

| Premises (1) | No. on Register (2) | Number of | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | Inspections (3) | Written notices (4) | Occupiers prosecuted (5) |
| (i) Factories in which Sections, 1, 2 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by Local Authorities .. .. | 5 | 9 | 1 | — |
| (ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority .. .. | 49 | 10 | 1 | — |
| (iii) Other Premises in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-workers' premises) .. .. .. | 7 | 2 | — | — |
| Total .. | 61 | 21 | 2 | — |

2. Cases in which Defects were found.

| Particulars (1) | Number of cases in which defects were found | | | | Numbers of cases in which prosecutions were instituted (6) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Found (2) | Remedied (3) | Referred To H.M. Inspector (4) | Referred By H.M. Inspector (5) | |
| Want of cleanliness (S.1) | 3 | 3 | — | — | — |
| Overcrowding | — | — | — | — | — |
| Unreasonable temperature (S.3) .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Inadequate ventilation (S.4) .. .. .. | 1 | 1 | — | — | — |
| Ineffective draining of floors (S.6) .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Sanitary Conveniences (S.7) | | | | | |
| (*a*) Insufficient .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| (*b*) Unsuitable or defective .. | 2 | 2 | — | 1 | — |
| (*c*) Not separate for sexes .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Outwork) .. .. | — | — | — | — | — |
| Total .. | 6 | 6 | — | 1 | — |

## RODENT CONTROL TABLE

| | Type of Property | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Non-Agricultural | | | | |
| | L.A. Property | Dwelling Houses | Business & other | Total | Agricultural |
| No. of Properties .. | 19 | 3490 | 453 | 3962 | 86 |
| Properties inspected as a result of notification .. | 1 | 22 | 15 | 36 | 1 |
| Survey or otherwise .. | Nil | 1 | 2 | 3 | — |
| Total .. | 1 | 23 | 17 | 39 | 1 |
| Infestations found: | | | | | |
| Rats—Major .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | 1 |
| Minor .. | Nil | 16 | 10 | 26 | — |
| Mice—Major .. .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | — |
| Minor .. .. | 1 | 6 | 4 | 11 | — |
| Control Measures: | | | | | |
| No. of Treatments carried out by Local Authority .. .. | 1 | 30 | 18 | 49 | 1 |
| Total treatments carried out .. | 1 | 30 | 18 | 49 | 1 |
| Informal notices Sec. (4) | | | | | |
| Treatment .. .. | Nil | 3 | 2 | 5 | Nil |
| Works .. .. | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil | Nil |

## DISINFESTATION

During 1966 a total of 39 premises was cleared of insects by this Department. Visits were also paid to 37 other premises to give advice to householders regarding other types of infestation. Details of treatment carried out are shown below.

### Treatment carried out to Eradicate Insect Nuisance

| Classification | Number |
|---|---|
| Ants.. .. .. .. | 1 |
| Bees .. .. .. | 1 |
| Cockroaches .. .. | 1 |
| Flies .. .. .. | 23 |
| Spider Mites .. .. | 1 |
| Wasps .. .. .. | 11 |
| Woodworm .. .. | 3 |

## MOVEABLE DWELLINGS

81 routine visits were paid to caravan sites during year, and in general conditions were satisfactory. The following shows the sites licensed:—

| | |
|---|---|
| The Close, Manse Lane .. .. .. | 1 Caravan |
| Dropping Well Farm Camping Site .. .. | 42 Caravans |
| Holmstead Camping Site, Wetherby Road .. | 35 Caravans |
| Lido Camping Site, Wetherby Road .. .. | 200 Caravans |
| Lorrisholme Camping Site, York Road .. | 45 Caravans |
| Nidderdale Camping Site, York Road .. | 30 Caravans |
| Riversmead, York Road .. .. .. | 7 Chalets |
| Stoneface Farm, Forest Moor .. .. .. | 1 Caravan |

## SMOKE ABATEMENT

7 observations were made of Industrial Chimneys, but there were no contraventions of the Clean Air Act, 1956. Daily readings were taken with the Volumetric Sampling Machine as part of the National Survey of Smoke and Sulphur Dioxide.

## HOUSING

The Slum Clearance Programme received a set back during the year, when the Minister of Housing and Local Government failed to confirm the Windsor Lane (No. 2) Clearance Order and other means of dealing with these properties must now be found.

No Clearance Areas were declared during 1966.

## HOUSING STATISTICS

| | |
|---|---|
| Houses Demolished during the year: | |
| Persons displaced from unfit houses .. .. .. | Nil |
| Unfit Houses Closed during the year: | |
| No. of Houses .. .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| Persons Displaced .. .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| Families Displaced .. .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| Parts of buildings closed (Persons Displaced) .. .. | 2 |
| Unfit Houses Made Fit: | |
| After informal Action by Local Authority—by owner .. | Nil |
| After formal notice under Public Health Acts—by owner | Nil |
| After formal notice under Housing Act, 1957—by owner | Nil |
| Families Re-housed into Council Owned Dwellings: | |
| Clearance Areas .. .. .. .. .. .. | 1 |
| Overcrowding .. .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| Number of New Dwellings completed during the year: | |
| Local Authority .. .. .. .. .. .. | Nil |
| Private Enterprise .. .. .. .. .. .. | 80 |

**Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958**
**House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959**

Standard Grants—No applications were received during the year.

Discretionary Grants—8 applications were received and approved.

7 properties were completed and £2,250 was given in respect of these houses.

In spite of the new Improvement Grant booklet the number of applications in 1966 was rather lower than in the previous year and although the booklet was well publicised in the Press, very few copies have been issued.

**Housing Act, 1964. Improvement Areas.**

No improvement areas were declared during the year. The experience of other Local Authorities who have done work under this Act is that the procedure is cumbersome and lengthy, and it is hoped that the recent publication of the report 'Our older Homes —A Call for Action' may persuade the Government to bring in new legislation to deal with this problem.

## FOOD INSPECTION AND HYGIENE

The following table gives the types and numbers of the food premises in the district:—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Bakeries | 8 | Ice Cream Manufacturers | 9 |
| Butchers | 8 | Licensed Premises | 23 |
| Catering | 37 | Market Food Traders | 15 |
| Clubs | 4 | Pork Butchers | 2 |
| Confectioners | 25 | Poultry Dealers | 6 |
| Fish & Chip Shops | 9 | Preserved, Pickled Meat, etc. | 19 |
| Fish, Greengrocery & Fruit | 9 | Residential Homes | 2 |
| Food Hawkers | 8 | Sale of Ice Cream | 67 |
| Food Preparation Room | 1 | School Canteens | 3 |
| Greengrocery & Fruit | 6 | School Canteens (consumption only) | 4 |
| Grocers | 37 | Slaughterhouses | 1 |
| Hospital Kitchens | 3 | | |

## LIST OF IMPROVEMENTS AND UNSATISFACTORY CONDITIONS REMEDIED IN FOOD PREMISES IN 1966

**(a) Structural**

| | |
|---|---|
| Walls and ceilings repaired | 3 |
| Floors repaired | 2 |
| Sanitary Accommodation improved or repaired | 4 |

**(b) Equipment and Practices**

| | |
|---|---|
| Hot water supply provided | 2 |
| Floors cleaned and/or recovered | 5 |
| First Aid equipment provided | 10 |
| Refuse accommodation provided | 9 |
| Condemned meat accommodation provided. | 1 |

## MILK

31 samples of milk were taken during the year for testing for Brucellosis, 2 of these were positive and action was taken to ensure that milk from this source was heat treated.

## MEAT

### Butchers' Shops

21 inspections of Butchers' Shops were made during the year. There are 22 premises registered for the preparation or manufacture of sausages and other "made up" foods.

### Slaughterhouse

Routine inspections were carried out at the slaughterhouse during the year. These small premises served only one butcher and during the year some minor improvements were made.

### Slaughter of Animals Act, 1958

11 Slaughterman's licences were issued during the year.

### Meat Inspection

130 visits were made to the slaughterhouse for this purpose and 100% inspection was carried out.

# APPENDIX

**Appendix. Carcases and Offal Inspected and Condemned in Whole or in Part**

| | Cattle (Excluding cows) | Cows | Calves | Sheep & Lambs | Pigs | Total |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Number killed .. .. .. .. | 244 | — | 3 | 849 | 290 | 1386 |
| Number Inspected .. .. .. | 244 | — | 3 | 849 | 290 | 1386 |
| **All diseases except Tuberculosis and Cysticerci** | | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned .. .. | — | — | 2 | — | — | 2 |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned .. .. .. .. | 88 | — | — | 50 | 40 | 178 |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with disease other than Tuberculosis or Cysticerci .. .. | 36.06 | — | 66.66 | 5.8 | 13.8 | 22.6 |
| **Tuberculosis only** | | | | | | |
| Whole carcases condemned .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned .. .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | 4 | 4 |
| Percentage of the number inspected affected with tuberculosis .. .. | — | — | — | — | 1.38 | 0.05 |
| **Cysticerosis** | | | | | | |
| Carcases of which some part or organ was condemned .. .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Carcases submitted to treatment by refrigeration .. .. .. .. | — | — | — | — | — | — |
| Generalised and totally condemned .. | — | — | — | — | — | — |

999 lbs. of meat was condemned as unfit.

**Ice Cream**

72 premises are registered for the manufacture, storage and sale of ice cream. 41 inspections were carried out.

**Produce Market**

The market was visited 30 times during the year. The Food Hygiene (Markets, Stalls and Delivery Vehicles) Regulations, 1966, came into operation on 1st January, 1967, and stallholders have been advised of the requirements.

**Food Hawkers**

2 Food Hawkers were registered during the year, bringing the total to 14.

**Unsound Food**

416 lbs. of Food was voluntarily surrendered and condemned as unfit for human consumption. This comprised 357 lbs. canned meat and 59 lbs. other foods.

## PUBLIC CLEANSING

### 1st April, 1966 — 31st March, 1967

**Collection of Refuse**

Refuse was collected from 4,710 properties within the town, an increase of 80 over the previous year.

**Collection Vehicles**

The vehicles have functioned well during the year, but the old fore and aft tipper now kept as a spare has been invaluable on the occasions when one or other of the regular vehicles has been out of action.

**Tonnage and Frequency.**

A weekly collection has been carried out with very few complaints and the staff continue to do their work well.

**Refuse Disposal**

The Drott has kept the Tip in good condition, but it has been the subject of some expensive repair work during the past year. A suitable set of tools has now been obtained and our own staff should be able to carry out all but the most extensive repairs.

The problem of Tipping space has become acute. It is expected that the Wetherby Road Tip will be filled early in 1967 and negotiations are in progress for use of the gravel quarries on the North-Eastern side of the town.

## Public Cleansing Costs for the Year ending 31st March, 1967

The table below shows the cost of the Public Cleansing Services during the financial year ending 31st March, 1967. The cost of Refuse Collection and Disposal in Knaresborough is well below average for similar towns in England and Wales.

| Item | Particulars<br>1 | Collection<br>2 | Disposal<br>3 | Total<br>4 | Percentage of gross expenditure<br>5 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | £ | £ | £ | |
| | Revenue Account | | | | |
| 1 | Gross Expenditure | | | | |
| | (i) Labour | 6265 | 890 | 7155 | 65.2 |
| | (ii) Transport | 2460 | 1020 | 3480 | 31.7 |
| | (iii) Plant, equipment, land and other buildings | 80 | 100 | 180 | 1.6 |
| | (iv) other items | 120 | 39 | 159 | 1.5 |
| | (v) Total gross expenditure | 8925 | 2049 | 10974 | 100.0 |
| 2 | Gross income | 350 | 50 | 400 | |
| 3 | Net Cost | 8575 | 1999 | 10574 | |
| 4 | Capital expenditure met from revenue (included above) | — | — | — | |
| | | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | £ s. d. | |
| | Unit Costs | | | | |
| 5 | Gross cost per ton, labour only | 1 8 4 | 4 0 | 1 12 4 | |
| 6 | Gross cost per ton, transport only | 11 1 | 4 7 | 15 8 | |
| 7 | Net cost (all expenditure per ton) | 1 18 9 | 9 0 | 2 7 9 | |
| 8 | Net cost per 1,000 population | 843 3 4 | 196 11 1 | 1039 14 5 | |
| 9 | Net cost per 1,000 premises | 1824 9 4 | 467 17 5 | 2292 6 9 | |

## OPERATIONAL STATISTICS

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| 10 | Area (statute acres)—land and inland water . . | 2,488 |
| 11 | Population at 30th June, 1966 (Registrar General's Estimate . . . . . | 10,250 |
| 12 | Percentage of total refuse collected (tons) weighed . . . . . | 1 per cent. |
| 13 | Total refuse collected (tons) estimated from regular test weighings . . . . | 4,415 |
| 14 | Weights (cwts.) per 1,000 population per day, 365 days per year . . . . . | 23.0 |
| 15 | Number of premises from which refuse is collected . . . . . | 4,710 |
| 16 | Premises from which collections are made at least once weekly . . . . . | 100 per cent. |
| 17 | Average haul, single journey to final disposal point . . . . . | 1·75 miles |
| 18 | Kerbside collection expressed as estimated percentage of total collection . . . . | Nil |
| 19 | Total refuse disposed of . . . . . | 4,970 tons |
| 20 | Methods of disposal (salvage excluded) controlled tipping . . . . . | 100 per cent |
| 21 | Trade refuse:— | |

| | Income (Included in Item 2) £ | Tonnage Collected (Included in Item 13) Tons |
|---|---|---|
| Rents and miscellaneous income | Nil | Nil |
| Refuse Disposal . . . . | Nil | Nil |